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SUBJ: EGYPTIAN COMPLAINT OF ISRAELI HARRASSMENT IN GULF OF SUEZ

REF: (A) CAIRO 10819 (B) STATE 200987

1. FAHMY'S AIDE, WAHID FAWZI, TELEPHONED AMBASSADOR TODAY TO SAY THAT A MESSAGE HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM FAHMY IN COLOMBO TO INFORM US OF ANOTHER INSTANCE OF ISRAELI HARRASSMENT IN THE GULF OF SUEZ.

2. ACCORDING TO FAHMY'S MESSAGE, THE AMERICAN VESSEL OCEAN TIDE, SAILING BETWEEN THE RAMADAN AND JULY OIL FIELDS, HAD BEEN ACCOSTED BY TWO ISRAELI GUNBOATS AT 2150, AUGUST 4. THE GUNBOATS HAD STOPPED THE OCEAN TIDE AND FORCED IT TO CHANGE COURSE. FAWZI HAD NO OTHER INFORMATION.

3. FAHMY WANTED THIS MATTER TO BE BROUGHT URGENTLY TO THE ATTENTION OF THE SECRETARY WITH A REQUEST THAT WE TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION WITH THE ISRAELIS TO PREVENT A RECURRANCE OF SUCH INCIDENTS.

4. COMMENT: WE HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY HEARD OF THIS INCIDENT ALTHOUGH IT MAY BE THE ONE MENTIONED BY THE LOCAL MANAGER OF THE OCEANIC RED SEA COMPANY (PARA. 6, REFTTEL A).

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